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# The BUZZ @ Bethany



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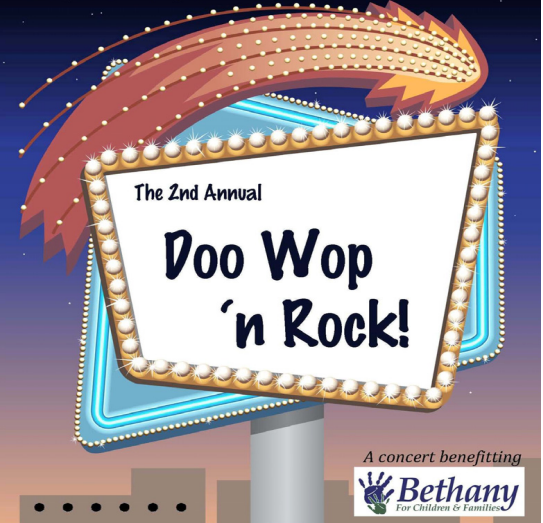
Serving the bi-state community since 1899 AUGUST 2010

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TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

THE ADLER THEATRE PRESENTS:



SEPTEMBER 25, 2010

ADLER THEATRE

7:30 PM

FEATURING

JAY & THE AMERICANS

*This Magic Moment, Come a Little Bit Closer, Only in America*

JOHNNY TILLOTSON

*Poetry in Motion, You Can Never Stop Me Loving You, Pledging My Love*

SHIRLEY ALSTON REEVES OF THE SHIRELLES

*Mama Said, Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow, Tonight's the Night*



PURCHASE TICKETS AT: Adler Theatre Box Office, Ticketmaster.com, Charge by phone 800-745-3000, or Ticketmaster outlets including select Hy-Vee Food Stores.

TICKET PRICES: \$27, \$40, \$67

(\$67 ticket includes VIP seating and meet and greet)



# News and Events

## LET'S TALK!

Dr. Elizabeth Schroeder, an internationally recognized trainer, consultant, and author in the areas of sexuality education, youth development, and counseling, is here to teach you how to talk comfortably and knowledgeably to teens about responsible sexuality.



Dr. Elizabeth Schroeder, Ed.D., MSW

**What:** Dr. Elizabeth Schroeder Educational Presentation

**Date:** September 13 & 14, 2010

**Where:** Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center  
226 17th Street, Rock Island, Illinois

### SESSION I – Monday, September 13, 2010, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

#### **Sexuality Education at Home: A Workshop for Parents**

This highly interactive workshop will review the normal sexual development of children and provide tips for how to take advantage of “teachable moments.”

This presentation is for parents and other interested community members.

**Cost: FREE** Registration not required. Presentation is open to the public.

### SESSION II – Tuesday, September 14, 2010, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### **Sexuality Education Basics: Strategies for Teaching about Sexuality to high school/middle school students.**

The purpose of this workshop is to provide participants with opportunities to learn about and practice basic teaching methodologies and techniques that work well for conducting sexuality education programs with young people.

#### **What about the Boys? Teaching sexuality accurately and effectively with boys.**

This training will provide the most up-to-date information available about how boys learn, how co-ed sexuality education programming has failed boys and what educators can do to be sure to reach all students and workshop participants.

These presentations are for social service professionals, educators, nurses, school counselors, parents, and others who work with youth.

**Cost: \$40 per person includes continental breakfast and lunch.** Seating is limited.

To register, please visit [www.bethany-qc.org/events](http://www.bethany-qc.org/events) or call Katie Nelson at 309.736.6644.

## SPONSORS



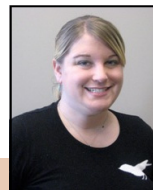
# Awards and Excellence

- MOTIVATION
- EXCELLENCE
- RESPONSIBILITY
- INTEGRITY
- TEAM WORK



The monthly MERIT award recognizes an employee for distinguished service to the agency. MERIT awardees are nominated by their peers or members of the community and are recognized for their outstanding commitment to children and families served by Bethany.

### May 2010 Award Winner



Janelle Greenwood  
Iowa Family Services

The nomination for Janelle stated, “Janelle has an outstanding work ethic and has proven to be a team player as well as being timely and meticulous in her paperwork. Further, Janelle always displays a positive attitude despite the daily challenges of her position. She has the ability to look at the bright side of every situation demonstrating the qualities of a positive role model for both her clients and her peers. She has been a great asset to the Iowa team!”



### June 2010 Award Winner



Kathleen Oltman  
Mary-Kathryn Hart  
Karen Gagliardo  
Milestones After-School and Summer Program

The nomination for Kathleen, Mary-Kathryn and Karen stated, “The Milestones staff consistently works as a team to plan exciting activities for clients, ensure each client is having his/her individual needs addressed in a group setting as much as possible, and take care of everyday aspects of an after-school and summer program. The Milestones Program has a very limited budget and the team works together to find cost free field trips and new resources to keep the program fresh and fun! Clients make great progress while in group and parents are ever thankful for their hard work of the Milestones team!”

# Program *Spotlight*

## *Music Therapy*

Thanks to a grant awarded by the Rock Island Arsenal Women's Club, Bethany's Milestones After-School and Summer Program enjoyed a fun-filled hour of music therapy provided by West Music at Davenport's River Music Experience on July 12, 2010. The kids were banging drums, singing songs, listening to a beat, and playing instruments all while learning the importance of music and how it helps manage emotions and life stressors.



*West music*



## Family Furniture Assistance Program

Bethany would like to thank the generous donors who have contributed to the Family Furniture Assistance Program. Items such as beds, mattresses, couches, love seats, tables and chairs, and many other items have been distributed to needy families in the Quad Cities completely free of charge. If you or someone you know is interested in donating furniture, please call the Family Furniture Assistance Program at 309.736.6629.



# *Why I Volunteer at Bethany*

"I volunteer at Bethany because I love helping people," said Kathy Heiser, Clothing Pantry Coordinator at Bethany for Children & Families.

The clothing pantry, located in Bethany's Davenport office, is opened for families of the west side of the city in need of clothing basics. All apparel is completely free of charge to "shoppers" and many times, it's the only clothing a family can afford that month. Like any retail store, the clothing needs to be folded and sorted by size and gender.



**Kathy Heiser**  
Clothing Pantry Coordinator

Every Tuesday afternoon, you will find Kathy comfortably situated in the basement of the Davenport office folding clothes while supervising the clothing pantry patrons. In a little over six months Kathy has transformed the clothing pantry into a well organized operation where individuals and families can turn to in time of need. She ensures each person signs in, receives a plastic grocery bag to carry their items in, and allows them in the pantry for a specified amount of time. A select few individuals are "regulars" to the pantry and have gotten to know Kathy quite well.

Kathy says she truly enjoys volunteering in the clothing pantry. She assists young mothers who need clothing for their growing children, homeless men who need a shirt or two to add to their meager wardrobe, and families who need a little extra help who are struggling to make ends meet. Kathy said, "Everyone who visits the pantry is always so appreciative. And, everyone who donates their clothing to the pantry is so generous."

*Bethany's generous volunteers including employees, members of the Board of Directors, and others in the community will be featured in future editions of the BUZZ@Bethany.*

# Gifts and Donations

## House Donation Update

The house donated to Bethany by Oak Helm Partners is now available for sale! Volunteers have spent numerous hours renovating and repairing the home. It will be sold, per agency policy, to someone in the community who wants to be a homeowner. The proceeds from the sale of the house will go to support the services of Bethany.

Do you know someone interested in this spacious three bedroom, one bath home with over 1,100 square feet of living space? It features a large backyard perfect for a family barbeque, lots of storage space, fresh paint, and new flooring throughout. Updates include new electrical, plumbing, furnace, flooring, duct work and vents, window panes, and a newer roof. Plus, the front porch and back deck are brand new!



805 12th Avenue, Rock Island  
Offered at: \$49,900

For more information contact Jenny Hager at 309.736.6633.

Bethany would like to say *thank you* to the following individual volunteers and companies for their commitment to this project and for making an investment in our community:

Brady Greufe  
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### Also thank you to:

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Steve's Mirror & Glass  
Seiffert Lumber Company

# What's New?

## MAKE MY NON-PROFIT RUN BETTER

Bethany for Children & Families is participating in the "Make My Non-Profit Run Better" contest for a chance to win an office technology makeover from RK Dixon – at a value of \$5,000 - \$20,000.



Bethany is committed to providing quality services and is the leader in preventing and resolving community problems impacting families and children. This makeover would allow us to be more efficient in providing services for those who need it most, and ultimately help us run better.

How can you help? By voting! The more votes, the better chance we have to win. Go to [www.rkdixon.com](http://www.rkdixon.com) and vote for Bethany for Children & Families. You can vote once each day from Monday August 23, (starting at 8 a.m.) through Sunday, August 29, (closing at 5 p.m.). Please tell all your friends or colleagues who you believe would be willing to vote for us, too. Happy voting and thank you for your support!



## Support Bethany and Save Money!



Chip In Rewards is a membership-based, coupon website where 50% of your annual membership cost can be directed by you to support Bethany for Children & Families.

**That's right, half goes back to support the services and programs at Bethany.** It's a great way to give to the community and a great way to save hundreds of dollars at area restaurants and businesses.

Go to [www.chipinrewards.com](http://www.chipinrewards.com) and check out all the offers! Just click on "Sign Up," register, select **Bethany for Children & Families** and pay \$35 for your annual membership. \$17.50 will be given to Bethany. It's just that easy. You can opt in to receive weekly email notices to let you know what is new on the website. It's so easy to use. You can buy a membership for yourself or for anyone else. You can also buy gift memberships and direct the dollars for those to your favorite non-profit.

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